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Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AFTER EX PARTE OUAYLE ACTION

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Ex Parte Quayle Action mailed March 24, 2009, allowing claims 12-23.

The following amendments and remarks address the formal issue raised in the Ex Parte Quayle Action. The shortened deadline for responding to the Office Action is May 24, 2009. Applicant submits that this response is timely filed on May 8, 2009. Applicant submits that no fees are due at this time. However, if this belief is in error, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 03-1721, under Order No. 0492611-0580 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.